



My First Books Migrant Seasonal Head Start Partner Information

Project Description and Requirements:

- ☐ A representative from the library will visit the site on a monthly basis for at least three months during the MSHS enrollment period to conduct storytimes, distribute free books to the children, and provide information about early literacy skills for teachers and parents. There is no financial obligation on the part of the partner organization. Book distributions will occur three times, months to be decided by the library and MSHS contact.
- ☐ Books are distributed to the **same children every month**. Organization's staff will notify the library of changes in enrollment as early as possible in order to ensure every child receives the book of the month.
- ☐ Age-appropriate books will be distributed to two age groups: infants/toddlers, and preschool-aged children.
- ☐ Organization's staff remains present during monthly library visits and assists with book distributions.
- ☐ Organization's staff ensures the monthly parent newsletter, *The Bookworm*, is sent home with the book. This handout will be printed in English on one side and Spanish on the other.
- ☐ Every attempt will be made to provide either bilingual books, or copies of the English text translated into Spanish to accompany the book.
- ☐ Each library has the option to provide an early literacy event at the MSHS site. An early literacy event could include an early literacy workshop for parents of participating children, or a family event held for My First Books families. The partner organization will work with the library to decide if and how an early literacy event will occur.
- ☐ This project is evaluated at the end of the summer by the Idaho Commission for Libraries. Partner organizations agree to distribute and collect the "My First Books Partner Survey" at the end of the program and return to the library representative.

Questions? Please contact Jennifer Redford jennifer.redford@libraries.idaho.gov or visit the My First Books Migrant Seasonal Head Start page on our website:

<https://libraries.idaho.gov/rtm/my-first-books/mshs/>

